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BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

TO INCREASE ITS ENDOWMENT.

Booker T. Washington Sends Out an Appeal for Tuskegee Institute.

The Sentinel has received an appeal, signed by Booker T. Washington, on behalf of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, of which the following is a part:

During the twenty-three years that the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute has been in existence, counting those who have finished a full course, together with the much larger number of those who have taken a partial course, but who have remained long enough to get into the spirit and methods of the institution, we have sent out quite 6,000 men and women who are doing effective work, mainly in the South, as teachers both in the class room and of the industries, as mechanics and in domestic work. Just now there are three urgent

needs which I think the public would like to know about and assist us in meeting:

1. The annual cost of operating the institution is \$160,000. Of this amount we can depend upon \$69,933 from assured sources, leaving \$90,067 to be raised through the gifts of friends.

2. Increase of our endowment fund from its present figures, \$1,030,552.28 to at least \$3,000,000.

3. Sixty-five thousand dollars with which to build a new dining hall—\$19,000 of this amount now being in hand. No need of the school is more urgent than this one. The students will make the bricks and do most of the work on the building.

We shall be glad of money toward one or all of these purposes. The smallest sum will be gratefully received.

Money sent to the school will be devoted to the purposes named.

INDEPENDENCE NEWS.

Thirty-two dollars was realized Thanksgiving day and night at the A. M. E. church.

Rev. Winrow is able to be out again after an illness of several weeks.

The Union services Thanksgiving morning were largely attended. The M. E., the Second Baptist and the A. M. E. composed the union.

If you haven't enough trouble in your family, join the St. Anna's court. Quite a deal of sickness in Independence at present.

The A. M. E. church of Lexington, Mo., will no doubt receive an old new member. He says he will not attend class meeting, that he will remove his membership back to Lexington. He and his wife came to our city highly recommended about four years ago. He has never proven himself worthy of any praise, but she is a devout Christian.

The old ladies' sewing circle is meeting with success. They hope to realize a neat sum during the holidays.

Invention of Panama Indians.

We should never have had the Panama hat but for the quick-fingered Indians of the Isthmus of Panama. Even to-day their secret process for seasoning the grass blades used in weaving these hats remains unrivaled. Basketmakers of the same region make baskets which will hold water without leaking—another invention which is quite beyond us.

Work for Alligator Hunters.
Alligator hunters are wanted in Venezuela, where those animals are said to exist in untold numbers. The hunting is good sport, the skins are valuable, and the oil, which is used for medicinal purposes, also fetches a good price.

Uncle Allen.
"This prejudice against 'race suicide,'" said Uncle Allen Sparks, "is about as inconsistent a thing as I know of. We applaud human beings for being the parents of a dozen children and we curse the unpretending house fly for being the mother of a million children."

Crossing Sweeper Grows Rich.
A London crossing sweeper, who was supposed to be penniless, was found, when he died, to have been the possessor of \$1,500. He had made it by picking up the ends of cigars and cigarettes, doing up the tobacco in one-cent packages and selling them to the inmates of cheap lodging houses.

Beer Drinking in India.
The natives of India take more and more to beer. Formerly the consumption was very small; there are now, however, many large breweries, and last year their combined production aggregated nearly 9,000,000 gallons. It is said that about 40 per cent. of this production is consumed by the army. Most of the breweries are in the Himalaya mountain districts, on the railroad line between the stations of Murree and Darjeling.

LEXINGTON NEWS.

Mrs. Smith, the Grand Most Ancient H. of J. of St. Louis was here Sunday, left Monday for Waverly and returned Tuesday and visited Queen Anna's Court No. 4 Tuesday night; left for Richmond Wednesday. The members were well pleased with her visit. We are always glad to see her because she is the right one in the right place.

The African lecturer, Mr. Kwilke Sakken lectured at the A. M. E. church Monday night, Second Baptist church Tuesday night, M. E. Church Wednesday night, and every body was pleased that heard him. His mission is to raise means to educate some of his countrymen. We think that the colored people should support him in his effort. His lectures are grand and helpful to our race.

Mrs. Lonnie Gatewood died at her home Sunday night and was carried to Eudora, Kansas, for burial. She leaves a husband, one small child, an infant baby, one sister, and other relatives to mourn her loss. She had only been living here for a short while. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family.

Miss Katie Wilson has returned home from Independence, where she has been for several months attending school. On account of her health she returned home.

Mrs. Katie Bradford spent several days in Kansas City last week.

Miss Minerva Robinson, who has been quite ill, is some better.

Mr. Isaac Jones, who was thrown out of his buggy over an embankment, was badly injured. We hope he will soon recover.

Mrs. Warren Reed's mother is still quite ill.

We hope our subscribers will pay us up for the Rising Son.

Mr. A. W. Walker visited the World's Fair and was well pleased with his visit; also whilst there had the pleasure of seeing the President, and many other friends and acquaintances.

The W. B. F. S. S. M. T. S. and the Valiant Knights will give their annual entertainment on the 26th. They will appear in their full regalia at night. We expect some of the Grand Officers to be present, also speeches will be made. Everybody is invited to come. Tickets will be on sale at 15 cents each. No ticket will be valued except those with the seal of the said lodge. A. W. Walker, W. M.; Robert Smith, secretary.

The Knights and Daughters of Tabor will give a grand entertainment on the 28th. There will be a prize given to the one holding the lucky number. Admission will be 15 cents.

Mr. Frank Howl paid up his subscription for the Rising Son. There are some few white friends takes our paper and pays for it. There is a store in our city that every colored person patronizes and they give nothing to any colored person to do in any way. They ought to at least take the Rising Son, to show that they have some appreciation for colored people.

Odd Foot Note to Will.
At the foot of his will the Rev. William Richardson, of Lewes, England, wrote: "This is all twaddle—only wreckage of an estate to leave." But he left \$87,415.

Enthusiasm Easily Aroused.
It is positively wonderful what energy and enthusiasm some people have in the exciting occupation of doing nothing.

Husband Was Moonstruck.
A woman in Oakland, Cal., got a divorce because, at every full moon, her husband would sit up in bed and howl, occasionally beating her and pulling her hair for a change.

Celestial Refreshments.

Places of rest and refreshment are commonly to be found at the halting stations on the highways in the interior, or at the villages on the banks of the great rivers of China. They frequently take the form of a small hut, having a dark interior filled with smoke, tea tables, forms, and an oven, where a cook is kept busy baking tea bread and trying puddings for the entertainment of the customers. Those favorite beverage is tea, although when times are good and the weather cold they indulge in something stronger, which often inebriates, and that at a very cheap rate.

Professor's Witty Comment.

Old students of Prof. Jebb, the famous classical scholar of Cambridge, laugh over a certain lecture delivered by their mentor in a room under that in which the late Prof. Veitch was also expounding important principles and driving home his points with a thumping fist upon his desk. At last down from the ceiling upon Prof. Jebb's head fell a piece of plaster. "Prof. Veitch's premises do not appear to support his conclusions," was his lightning comment before gravely proceeding on with his own discourse.

Qualities for Friendship.

Give me for my friend one who will unite heart and hand with me, who will throw himself into my cause and interest, who will take part when I am attacked, who will be sure before-hand that I am in the right, and if he is critical, as he may have cause to be, towards a being of sin and imperfection, will be so from very love and loyalty, and a wish that others should love me as heartily as he.—Cardinal Newman.

Severe French Critic.

"Every grocer's son in Paris," says a critic, "has taken to writing books in the hope of making as much money as Zola. There are 100,000 writers and 100,000 painters and they write or paint for sordid gain, not for art. They pay the butcher and baker by scribbling or daubing when they ought to be making up parcels behind counters."

Electric Insects.

Electric insects have been reported. A noted hunter makes the statement that upon taking up a large caterpillar in the forests of South America he received so powerful a shock that his right arm and side were almost paralyzed, and even his life jeopardized.

A Remarkable Tree.

A very remarkable tree grows in Nevada. It is called by the superstitious Indians the witch tree. It grows to a height of six or seven feet, and its trunk at the base is about three times the diameter of an ordinary man's wrist. The wonderful characteristic of the tree is its luminosity, which is so great that on the darkest night it can be seen plainly at least a mile away. A person standing near could read small print by its light.

"Linen" Garden Party.

A "linen" garden party was recently given by the lord mayor of Belfast. The most attractive costumes worn by the ladies were entirely of linen, and the men wore linen waistcoats. The idea originated in the very successful "all linen" ball at Belfast last year, which was given to aid the staple industry of Ulster.

Wanted To Grind the Water.

Granda has a chain pump that turns with a crank. Little May was visiting at the farm, and seeing grandpa pumping, rushed out, exclaiming, "Oh, grandpa, grandpa! Let me grind the water!"—Youth's Companion.

The annex to the John Taylor Dry Goods Co. supplies a long felt want in the big retail district. This makes the John Taylor Dry Goods Co. one of the largest and best concerns in the west.

When Bettors Should Quit.

The London Sketch says a professional betting man should go out of business when 50 years old. After that age a man makes mistakes. Between 50 and 65 he stands to lose 75 per cent of what he accumulated before 50.

Many Buried in One Grave.

While making excavations for the enlargement of a church at Rogiet, Monmouthshire, Eng., the other day, about a hundred skeletons were discovered. The bodies had apparently been buried in one grave. They are supposed to be the remains of victims of the plague, or of men who fell in a border raid. The skeletons have been reinterred.

Kiss Once a Religious Observance.

The kiss has been a common among English-speaking people for uncounted centuries. It was known even to those mystical, half-forgotten persons, the Druids, who appear to have made it in some way a very important part of their religious observances. The Christian kiss under the mistletoe comes down from them, and is thought to have had in years long past a sacred significance.

The Devil Grows Clumsy.

A Malden woman whose sprained knee was made well by faith alone, two days after she fell from her bicycle, explains the accident. "Satan had a special spite against my bicycle, because it was dedicated to God before I ever mounted it." Yet the bicycle did not suffer. The devil is growing clumsy.—Boston Advertiser.

Sage Fixes Wedding Date.

No Korean couple would think of marrying without consulting the sage, who fixes the happy day for them. This he does simply by adding the bride's age to the bridegroom's and after determining which star rules the destiny of their united ages, he decrees that the wedding shall take place upon the day sacred to that star.

Origin of Phrases.

The London Daily News has discovered what a good many Americans may have forgotten—that the popular phrase "the man in the street" comes from Emerson. It occurs in "The Conduct of Life," in the section on "Worship." Speaking of the movement to repeal the corn laws in England, Emerson goes on: "Well," says the man in the street, "Cobden got a stipend out of it."

Savages First to Use Mortar.

Mortar was made by the people of Tahiti when our ancestors were shivering in holes in the rocks. They dived into the sea, brought up great lumps of coral, burned them in pits, using wood as fuel, and mixed the lime they got in this fashion with sharp sand and water. With this mixture the ingenious savages plastered the walls and floor of his house, and a better mortar could not be obtained.

Discomfited Lawyer.

During the last session of the Circuit court in a small town in southern Wisconsin a well-known Badger lawyer came to grief by being just a little too sharp. According to his habit, he was browbeating one of the witnesses, "Now, Mr. Jones," said he, "you can answer that question a little more clearly. You are not as green as you look." "Yes," drawled the witness, in reply, "I am a butcher by profession and not a lawyer."

Lapland's Chief Crime.

In Lapland, the crime which is punished most severely, next to murder, is the marrying of a girl against the express wish of her parents.

Suffocate Boy in Treacle.

Two schoolboys at Lear, near the Dutch frontier, put Hendrick Basch, a companion, aged thirteen, in a barrel half filled with treacle, for cheating at pitch-and-toss. They confessed what they had done and Basch was found suffocated.

The greatest event during the Holiday season—Christmas a Day Late. A beautiful cantata in which Columbia, Britannia, Santa Claus and Father Neptune will appear with all their children. Through anger Santa Claus disappoints some of his children. Christmas is a dismal day for them. "Peace and Good Will" (Angel chorus), while the little ones are sleeping. Santa Claus finally repents and is sorry for the disappointed children, and though a day late, he comes bringing gifts for all, which puts an end to their troubles.

The ladies of St. Pancras Guild are preparing this Christmas treat for you, to be given at Turner Hall, corner of Twelfth and Oak streets, December 29th, 1904.

A Contented Husband.

No, my wife's not educated, and when she tries to talk-upon the topics of the day, you're apt to get a shock. She isn't up in music, and she never went to dances, yet when old enough to marry, she had a dozen chances. No, she isn't very handsome, but then she takes the cake when it comes to making biscuit like mother used to make.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Product of the American Cow.

The American cow is an institution of huge dimensions. She produces annually 8,000,000,000 gallons of milk, 1,500,000,000 pounds of butter, and 300,000,000 pounds of cheese, not to mention hides, leather, glue, hair, horns, and other by-products. Her total dairy crop is worth over \$500,000,000 a year.

Turkeys Destroy Caterpillars.

Dr. C. W. Field, of the biological farm in Sharon, Mass., instructs his young turkeys to find and eat caterpillars and in this way gets rid of the pests. He takes a turkey chick under his arm and, passing along the young cabbage plants, shows the caterpillar to the bird, and the former sees his finish. The young chicks are apt pupils and soon can go it alone.

Living Pictures Are Popular.

Living pictures—clever and finished representations of groups taken from Dresden and Sevres china—are very popular at one of the London music halls.

Tobacco's Draft on the Soil.

It has been calculated that a ton of tobacco withdraws over a hundred-weight of mineral constituents per acre of land.

Disinfect Railway Carriages.

On the Bavarian state railways the passenger carriages are regularly disinfected with formaldehyde. The method adopted is to close the windows and doors tightly, and on the floor of the car is placed a pan which contains metal weights heated to a dull red color. A 20 per cent solution of formaldehyde is then poured into the pan. After having been left for about seven hours the carriage is then thoroughly ventilated.

Two Ways of Competing.

There are two ways by which the man that is entering butter in a contest can make his butter. One way is to select the cream and make sure that all conditions are perfect. This way of making his butter is not the ordinary one and the only good that can come from the competition is that he may make a few dollars or get a medal. The real object of butter contests is to improve the conditions under which butter is made. To get any real good the buttermaker must make his butter as he makes it every day and out of the cream that is an average of that he every day handles. Then he will find out what the butter judges think of his work. In this way he can make real progress and bring up his business. The information he gets from the butter judges is of far more consequence to him than would be any amount of prize money and medals.